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the following numbers of freight cars were loaded in Eastern Germany during the period from 27 September through 3 October 1952:

Date	For Occupation Powers	For Coal	For Fertilizers	Total
27 September	1,199	8,905	618	26,451
28 "	699	7,703	507	21,894
29 "	906	8,135	737	25,710
30 "	1,308	8,082	634	27,453
1 October	1,557	8,049	680	25,620
2 "	1,676	8,308	615	26,240
3 "	1,528	7,907	647	26,369 *

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Comment. As compared with the last reported period, the total loading performance of East German railroads decreased slightly. The transportation space claimed by the Soviet occupation forces continued at a level exceeding the normal by 300 percent. This increase was caused by: Soviet fall maneuvers, the return of units from their troop training rounds, the shipment of recruits to Germany, and the return of discharged soldiers to the U.S.S.R.

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